



HF 2421 – School Resuscitation Training and Brain Injury Policies (LSB5378HV.1)
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Fiscal Note Version – As amended by **S-5080**

Description

House File 2421, as amended by **S-5080**, requires a licensed health care provider or emergency medical care provider to be present and available to assess athletic injuries at high school contests for collision sports. The bill also requires an applicant for a coaching authorization issued by the Board of Educational Examiners and a person employed by a school district as a coach to successfully complete training in the areas of cardiopulmonary resuscitation, automated external defibrillator use, and heat injury treatment.

Background

Division I: The bill requires an applicant for a coaching authorization issued by the Board of Educational Examiners and a person employed by a school district as a coach to successfully complete training in the areas of cardiopulmonary resuscitation, automated external defibrillator use, and heat injury treatment. A person that possesses a coaching authorization issued by the Board prior to July 1, 2016, has until July 1, 2017, to meet the requirements of this division.

Division II: The bill requires the home team in a high school extracurricular interscholastic contest in a collision sport, defined as football, soccer, or wrestling, to ensure that a health care professional is present and available to assess athletic injuries. The bill defines a health care professional as a licensed health care provider or an emergency medical care provider. A licensed health care provider means a physician, physician assistant, chiropractor, advanced registered nurse practitioner, nurse, physical therapist, or athletic trainer. An emergency medical care provider includes emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, and paramedics. The health care professional is required to notify the visiting team's athletic director within 48 hours after the contest occurs if a member of the visiting team shows signs, symptoms, or behaviors consistent with a concussion or brain injury.

Assumptions

- Athletic trainers hired as a result of this bill will be paid between \$17 and \$26 per hour.
- Emergency medical care providers will be paid between \$13 and \$21 per hour.
- Other health care professionals will be paid between \$35 and \$45 per hour.
- Athletic trainers will represent 50.0% of the health care professionals hired. Emergency medical providers will represent 40.0%, and other health care professionals will represent 10.0%.
- Health care professionals will be reimbursed for mileage and these costs are estimated at 15.0% of the hourly wage.
- Health care professionals will work 25,065 hours annually for extracurricular interscholastic contests in collision sports; schools are assumed to currently have health care professionals for between 38.0% and 75.0% of these hours.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the State General Fund. The statewide total cost to local school districts in Iowa is estimated to range between \$124,000 and \$463,000 per year in FY 2017 and FY 2018.

Sources

Iowa Athletic Trainers' Society
Iowa Department of Education
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
LSA Calculations

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The fiscal note for this bill was prepared pursuant to [Joint Rule 17](#) and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the LSA upon request.
